

REMARKS

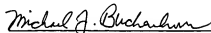
The office action rejected claims 1-25 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as anticipated by Lucas (U.S. Patent 6,865,737). In the previous amendment independent claims 1, 8, 15, 16, and 20 were amended to specify that the same application and server configuration data were sent to a plurality of servers. After careful review, Applicants have discovered that there are some editorial amendments to refer to "servers" instead of "server." Under 37 CFR §1.116 "Amendments presenting rejected claims in better form on appeal may be admitted." The changes to the claims present them in better form for appeal.

Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner has misapprehended the prior amendment. The prior amendment changed the claims so that a package containing the application and server configuration be sent to a plurality of servers. Lucas (US Patent 6,865,737) teaches installing computer software in a selected one of a number of computer systems. Lucas, col. 1, lines 33-34; lines 39-40 (on the selected computer); col. 2, lines 1-2 (the destination server); col. 4, lines 12-15 (installation in a single one of the servers); and col. 14, lines 10-14 (to the subject server). Lucas does not teach or suggest sending the same configuration to a plurality of servers as claimed. Even the final office action acknowledges that. In page 2, the final office action says "it was noted that cited reference teaches transferring to [sic, a] server, [sic, a] package comprising application and server configuration data ..."

Therefore, it is clear that Lucas does not anticipate the claims at issue in this application.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments.

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